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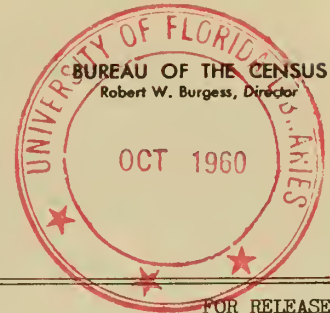
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The Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce, announced today that the decrease in United States imports for consumption from \$1,295.6 million in June to \$1,144.8 million in July, a decrease of about 12 percent, reflected decreases in imports of all of the economic classes of commodities. The July 1960 imports for consumption total was about seven percent less than the July 1959 total of \$1,235.9 million.

The Bureau pointed out that for the first seven months of 1960, total imports for consumption amounted to \$8,757.0 million, an increase of about three percent over the total of \$8,543.1 million reported for the corresponding period of 1959.

Imports of crude materials dropped from \$281.8 million in June to \$236.5 million in July, owing chiefly to a sizable decrease in imports of crude petroleum from \$87.0 to \$63.5 million and to lesser decreases in imports of copper, from \$6.9 to \$2.1 million, and iron ore and concentrates, from \$40.0

to \$35.8 million. The decrease in imports of finished manufactures from \$451.4 to \$417.4 million reflected decreases in imports of most of the individual commodities included in this economic class. The more noticeable of these were: newsprint, from \$60.5 to \$52.9 million; steel mill products, from \$24.1 to \$17.9 million; and automobiles and parts, from \$49.6 to \$45.6 million. Imports of semimanufactures fell from \$269.2 to \$228.3 million reflecting in part declines in imports of gas and fuel oil, from \$37.4 to \$30.8 million; tin, from \$9.2 to \$4.8 million; wood pulp, from \$27.1 to \$22.7 million; copper, from \$26.5 to \$23.3 million; and zinc, from \$3.8 to \$0.8 million.

Lower levels of imports of cocoa, from \$17.4 to \$10.7 million; coffee, from \$84.3 to \$77.9 million; and bananas, from \$8.9 to \$5.9 million accounted for the bulk of the decrease in imports of crude foodstuffs from \$152.6 to \$127.4 million. Imports of manufactured foodstuffs dropped slightly from \$140.6 to \$135.3 million.

EXPLANATION OF STATISTICS

COVERAGE: Import statistics include merchandise imported by government agencies as well as by private importers, but exclude American goods returned by the United States armed forces for their own use. United States trade with Puerto Rico and United States possessions is not included in this report, but the import trade of Puerto Rico with foreign countries is included as a part of the United States import trade. Merchandise shipped intransit through the United States between foreign countries is not included in import statistics.

VALUATION: Import values are, in general, based on market price or selling price, and are, in general, f.o.b. the exporting country. Import values also exclude United States import duties. None of the values have been adjusted for changes in price level.

EFFECT OF SAMPLING: Formal entry shipments valued less than \$100 and informal entry shipments valued \$250 or less (less than one percent of total import value) are estimated by sampling. These estimated values are shown in the tables of this report as "Estimated value \$1-\$99 formal and \$1-\$250 informal entry shipments" and are arbitrarily included in the total for "Finished manufactures." The largest variation from rounding of figures is \$50,000.

Further information regarding coverage, valuation, etc., is contained in the "General Explanation" in foreword of Report No. FT 110. For complete statement, see the foreword in Foreign Commerce and Navigation of the United States.

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UNITED STATES IMPORTS FOR CONSUMPTION OF MERCHANDISE, BY ECONOMIC CLASSES AND LEADING COMMODITIES:
JULY 1960 AND SELECTED PERIODS

(Quantity in units indicated; value in millions of dollars. Imports for consumption are a total of imports for immediate consumption plus withdrawals for consumption from bonded warehouses. Figures for 1960 are as originally issued and have not been revised to include published corrections. Figures for 1959 include revisions published with the December 1959 reports, or earlier, but do not include revisions published during 1960. Totals represent sum of unrounded figures, hence may vary slightly from sum of rounded amounts. See the "Explanation of Statistics" for information on sampling procedures.)

Economic class and commodity	July 1960	June 1960	July 1959	Monthly average	
				1959	1958
Total.....value..	1,144.8	1,295.6	1,235.9	1,248.9	1,061.6
Free.....value..	466.9	530.6	442.6	485.2	445.1
Dutiable.....value..	677.9	765.0	793.3	763.8	616.5
Crude materials.....value..	236.5	281.8	244.5	257.7	230.0
Hides and skins.....value..	5.9	8.0	7.4	7.3	4.5
Undressed furs.....value..	4.3	7.2	4.9	8.0	6.7
Crude rubber.....1,000,000 lb..	64	71	107	108	89
value..	25.3	27.1	32.2	32.1	20.9
Copra.....1,000 lb..	83,191	69,708	55,732	58,808	50,102
value..	6.6	5.9	6.1	5.7	4.0
Tobacco, unmanufactured.....1,000 lb..	11,325	14,783	13,481	12,640	11,543
value..	8.1	10.6	10.0	9.3	8.7
Cotton, unmanufactured.....1,000 lb..	6,694	6,411	7,219	12,760	12,190
value..	0.4	0.5	0.3	2.1	2.5
Jute and jute butts.....long tons..	1,633	3,319	5,033	5,740	3,121
value..	0.3	0.5	0.8	1.0	0.7
Sisal and henequen.....long tons..	7,236	7,276	8,319	10,432	9,767
value..	1.5	1.3	1.3	1.7	1.3
Wool, unmanufactured, free.....(1,000,000 lb.)..actual weight..	18	22	18	21	13
clean content ¹ ..	14	17	14	16	10
value..	10.5	12.7	9.2	10.3	6.6
Wool, unmanufactured, dutiable.....(1,000,000 lb.)..actual weight..	7	10	10	13	9
clean content ¹ ..	5	7	7	9	6
value..	5.0	7.0	6.0	8.4	7.1
Pulpwood.....1,000 cords..	95	102	101	104	114
value..	1.9	2.0	2.4	2.2	2.4
Crude petroleum.....1,000 bbl..	28,577	39,153	27,119	31,841	31,976
value..	63.5	87.0	60.1	72.2	78.3
Diamonds, rough or uncut.....1,000 carats..	97	92	232	133	94
value..	6.8	7.4	13.5	7.9	6.0
Diamonds, for industrial use.....1,000 carats..	742	1,614	1,202	1,089	839
value..	3.3	5.6	7.3	5.2	3.3
Iron ore and concentrates.....1,000 long tons..	3,746	4,221	3,185	2,969	2,296
value..	35.8	40.0	27.7	26.0	19.3
Ferroalloying ores.....value..	12.1	11.9	8.5	11.0	11.4
Copper (copper content).....1,000 lb..	7,070	22,563	3,640	6,700	16,884
value..	2.1	6.9	1.1	1.9	3.8
Lead (lead content).....1,000 lb..	46,474	8,019	47,932	22,861	39,772
value..	4.9	0.7	4.7	2.3	4.3
Tin (tin content).....long tons..	1,160	1,801	...	898	455
value..	2.6	4.0	(*)	1.9	0.9
Zinc (zinc content).....1,000 lb..	119,859	41,026	123,146	74,855	90,091
value..	5.8	1.7	6.1	3.3	4.3
Other nonferrous ores and concentrates.....value..	5.8	6.5	8.1	6.5	6.2
All other crude materials.....value..	24.3	27.4	26.8	31.4	26.9
Crude foodstuffs.....value..	127.4	152.6	116.4	151.9	161.4
Fish and shellfish.....1,000 lb..	53,887	52,422	49,054	45,752	39,847
value..	14.4	16.9	14.8	13.5	12.2
Cattle, except for breeding.....thousands..	12	37	46	57	94
value..	1.5	4.0	6.3	6.8	10.8
Grains.....value..	3.5	4.1	5.1	3.2	4.2
Vegetables, fresh and dried.....value..	0.7	1.4	0.9	3.5	3.8
Bananas.....1,000 bunches..	4,145	5,766	4,861	4,518	4,064
value..	5.9	8.9	6.5	6.5	5.8
Cocoa or cacao beans.....1,000,000 lb..	42	70	28	40	37
value..	10.7	17.4	9.4	13.7	14.4
Coffee, raw or green.....1,000,000 lb..	218	252	166	255	222
value..	77.9	84.3	61.5	91.1	97.5
Tea.....1,000 lb..	8,584	9,940	9,696	9,140	8,618
value..	4.0	4.8	4.2	4.3	4.0
Black pepper, unground.....1,000 lb..	1,389	2,188	2,387	2,914	2,889
value..	0.8	1.2	0.5	0.7	0.6
All other crude foodstuffs.....value..	7.9	9.4	7.2	8.7	8.1

See footnotes at end of table.

UNITED STATES IMPORTS FOR CONSUMPTION OF MERCHANDISE, BY ECONOMIC CLASSES AND LEADING COMMODITIES:
JULY 1960 AND SELECTED PERIODS—Continued

Economic class and commodity	July 1960	June 1960	July 1959	Monthly average	
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Manufactured foodstuffs.....value..	135.3	140.6	149.1	133.2	125.3
Meat products.....1,000 lb..	76,954	66,692	87,144	81,209	70,817
value..	32.5	29.7	35.3	32.8	27.9
Cheese.....1,000 lb..	3,430	4,494	3,906	5,322	4,645
value..	1.7	2.2	2.0	2.6	2.3
Fish and shellfish canned, prepared, etc.....1,000 lb..	38,357	33,893	44,363	43,453	39,886
value..	10.9	10.3	12.2	12.3	11.0
Fodders and feeds.....value..	1.1	1.4	1.5	1.7	1.8
Cane sugar.....1,000,000 lb..	899	921	1,049	756	772
value..	50.0	49.9	58.1	41.3	43.3
Molasses.....1,000 gal..	51,697	41,568	31,088	24,205	28,698
value..	5.0	3.5	4.1	3.0	3.7
Whisky.....value..	11.3	15.8	12.4	14.8	13.2
All other manufactured foodstuffs.....value..	22.8	27.8	23.6	24.8	22.2
Semimanufactures.....value..	228.3	269.2	270.9	275.4	220.2
Leather.....value..	2.7	3.7	4.8	4.0	2.6
Bristles.....1,000 lb..	318	353	313	303	200
value..	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.5
Expressed oils, inedible.....value..	4.0	5.9	5.6	4.7	4.1
Quebracho.....1,000 lb..	7,931	17,718	4,533	9,285	9,300
value..	0.5	1.1	0.4	0.8	0.7
Wool semimanufactures.....value..	4.5	6.8	5.5	5.2	3.7
Sawed boards, planks, deals, etc.....1,000,000 bd. ft..	366	418	447	339	283
value..	28.8	32.8	36.9	28.1	21.8
Wood pulp.....1,000 short tons..	178	211	214	203	175
value..	22.7	27.1	27.1	26.2	23.1
Gas and fuel oil.....1,000 bbl..	14,309	17,522	11,952	19,833	17,503
value..	30.8	37.4	24.0	42.1	41.5
Asbestos.....long tons..	41,016	61,465	56,421	48,928	43,706
value..	4.0	5.3	4.6	4.6	4.0
Diamonds, cut but not set.....1,000 carats..	65	77	76	77	60
value..	6.8	7.3	8.0	7.2	5.7
Iron and steel semimanufactures.....value..	12.3	14.7	27.2	23.2	7.5
Aluminum.....value..	8.5	10.1	17.7	12.6	11.8
Copper (copper content).....1,000,000 lb..	74	83	49	62	56
value..	23.3	26.5	14.2	18.6	13.7
Lead (lead content).....1,000 lb..	35,279	40,187	56,403	46,556	61,159
value..	4.5	5.3	7.4	6.2	6.6
Nickel and alloys.....1,000 lb..	21,128	14,870	12,123	19,370	15,448
value..	14.1	11.7	7.9	12.3	10.2
Tin.....1,000 lb..	4,909	9,353	6,277	8,744	8,275
value..	4.8	9.2	6.2	8.6	7.5
Zinc.....1,000 lb..	6,359	31,194	46,092	27,583	31,111
value..	0.8	3.8	4.6	2.8	3.0
Coal-tar products.....value..	4.3	5.7	6.3	4.9	3.9
Industrial chemicals.....value..	6.4	8.2	8.0	7.8	6.0
Fertilizers and materials.....1,000 short tons..	124	109	315	158	128
value..	4.2	4.1	4.0	5.2	4.9
All other semimanufactures.....value..	39.3	41.7	49.7	49.4	37.4
Finished manufactures.....value..	417.4	451.4	455.1	430.7	324.8
Leather manufactures.....value..	8.2	7.2	7.6	7.0	5.1
Essential or distilled oils.....value..	2.0	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.3
Cotton cloth.....1,000 sq. yd..	38,348	50,720	18,261	20,031	11,750
value..	6.9	8.8	3.8	4.3	3.2
Other cotton manufactures.....value..	15.6	14.5	11.0	12.5	9.3
Burlap.....1,000 yd..	65,449	87,488	74,055	80,623	70,910
value..	39,402	51,273	46,018	49,485	40,641
Flax, hemp and ramie manufactures.....value..	7.0	8.8	7.1	7.6	6.3
Wool manufactures.....value..	2.3	2.6	2.5	2.6	2.3
Silk manufactures.....value..	18.2	16.0	17.7	14.3	10.9
Shingles.....1,000 squares..	6.0	6.4	6.0	6.1	4.8
value..	211	212	169	178	178
Newsprint.....1,000 short tons..	1.9	2.0	1.6	1.8	1.6
value..	431	476	434	437	407
Other paper manufactures.....value..	52.9	60.5	54.2	55.5	51.2
Pottery.....value..	6.0	6.2	7.0	6.5	5.0
value..	5.5	5.3	5.2	4.8	3.9

See footnotes at end of table.



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JULY 1960 AND SELECTED PERIODS—Continued

Economic class and commodity	July 1960	June 1960	July 1959	Monthly average	
				1959	1958
Finished manufactures—Continued					
Steel mill products.....value..	17.9	24.1	32.2	28.8	13.4
Iron and steel advanced manufactures.....value..	8.8	11.3	10.2	9.3	6.4
Agricultural machinery and implements.....value..	11.1	14.0	15.2	14.1	10.2
Automobiles and parts.....value..	45.6	49.6	79.4	70.3	46.0
Other machinery.....value..	44.5	50.3	42.1	40.0	28.8
Vehicles, except automobiles.....value..	10.6	13.5	11.4	10.2	10.5
Photographic goods.....value..	4.8	5.0	5.3	4.2	3.4
Scientific and professional instruments.....value..	3.6	3.6	3.1	3.1	2.4
Musical instruments and parts.....value..	1.9	2.2	2.4	2.4	1.6
Toys and sporting goods.....value..	5.4	6.0	5.8	4.9	3.4
Watches and watch movements, except parts.....value..	4.1	4.5	4.7	4.7	3.9
American goods returned.....value..	21.9	19.9	19.5	19.5	16.6
All other finished manufactures ²value..	93.0	96.5	87.1	84.8	65.1
Estimated value \$1-\$99 formal and \$1-\$250 informal entry shipments ²value..	11.5	11.1	11.3	10.2	8.3

*Indicates less than \$50,000.

¹Includes the actual weight of carbonized wool.

²For an explanation of the sampling procedures, see "Effect of Sampling" on front page.

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